



Preparing for your visit

Sounds and Smells
Onboard
Christmas 2024





This guide describes the smells and sounds you will find in different parts of the ship during December 2024.

There are recorded sounds and artificial smells to help us imagine what life was like on the ship when it was sailing around the world from 1840s to 1880s.

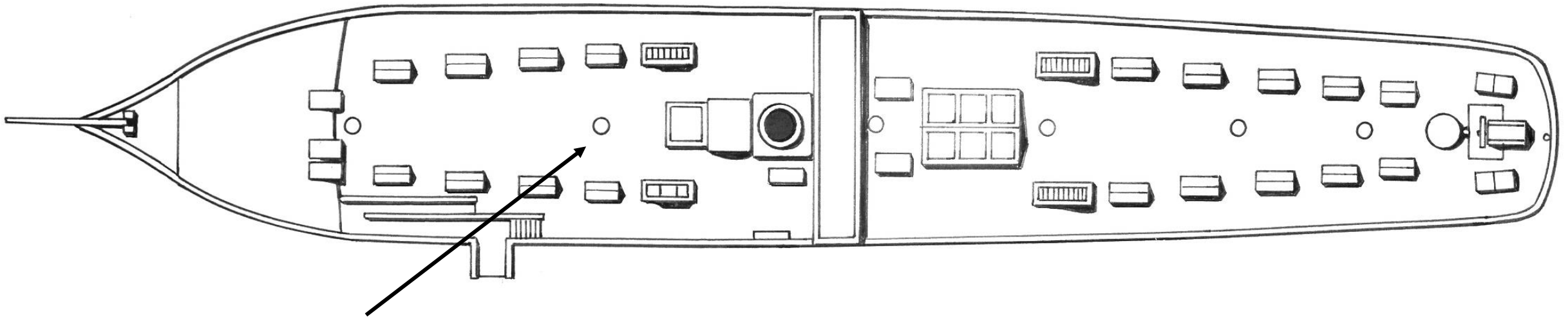
In many of the rooms you will hear lots of different sounds at the same time.

The sounds can also pass through the doorways and gaps in the floorboards, so you can hear them in more than one room.



Celebrating Christmas was important for the Victorians, so we have added lots of Christmas decorations to the SS Great Britain including some additional festive sounds and smells, which have been included in this guide.

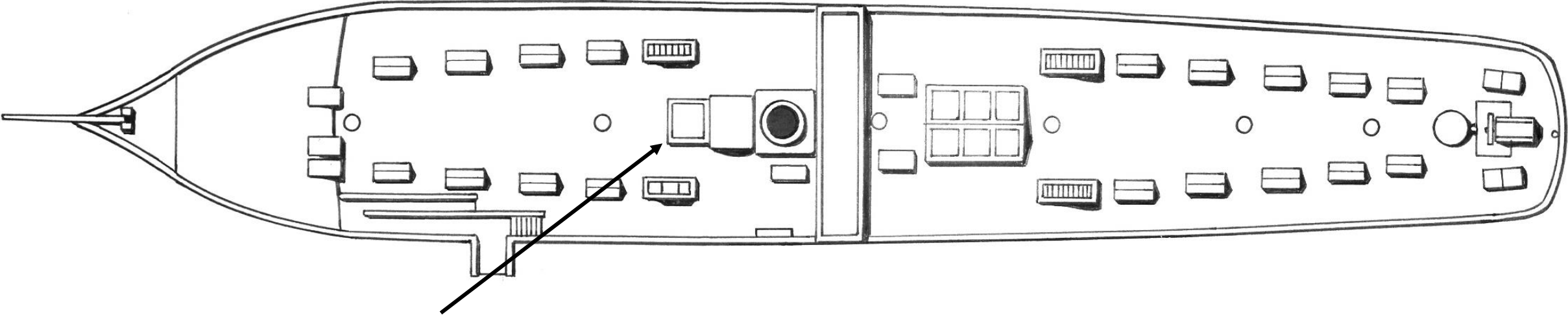
Top Deck - Sounds



Recorded sounds you will hear:

- Chains rattling
- Cow and pig

Top Deck - Smells



- Horse Manure

Middle Deck - Sounds

Galley:

- Fire crackling
- Clattering of pots
- Talking
- Cat and rats

Bakery:

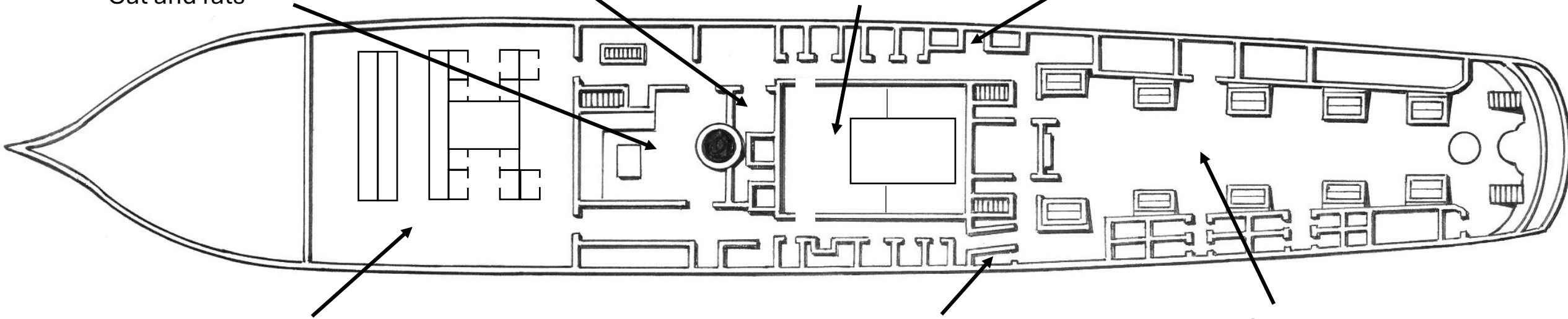
- Fire crackling

Engine Room:

- Engine moving
- Fire crackling
- People shovelling coal and shouting

Talking Toilet:

- If you try to open the door a recorded voice of someone talking is triggered



Steerage:

- Folk band playing music
- People singing Christmas carols
- People talking
- Children playing

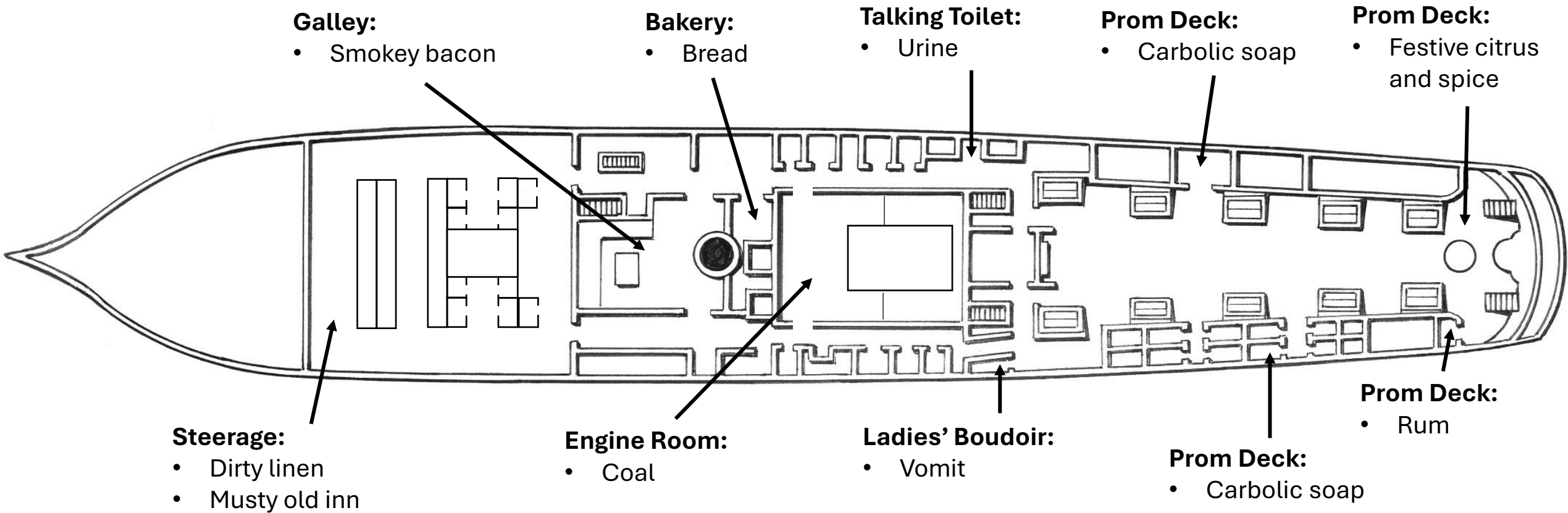
Ladies' Boudoir:

- Vomiting

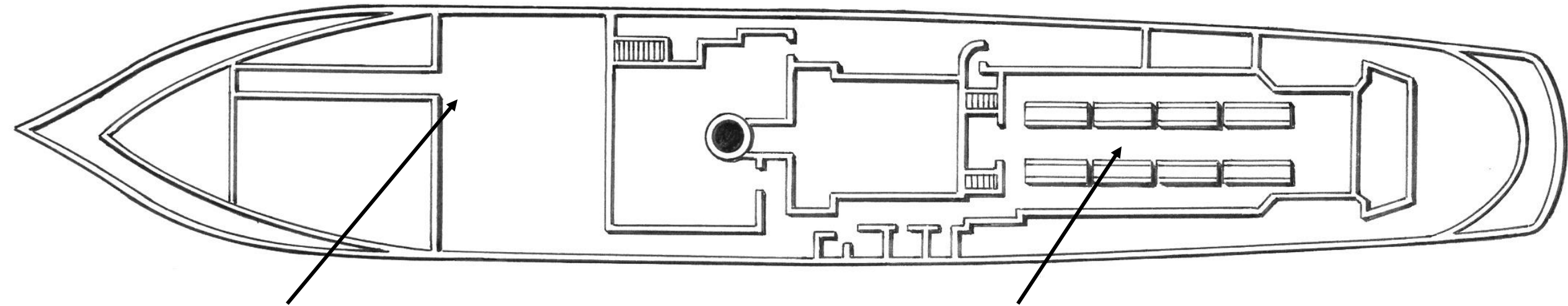
Promenade Saloon:

- People eating
- A passenger reading an extract of A Christmas Carol
- Whistling
- Jingling bells
- Fainting sound of a sleigh landing on the deck above

Middle Deck - Smells



Lower Deck - Sounds



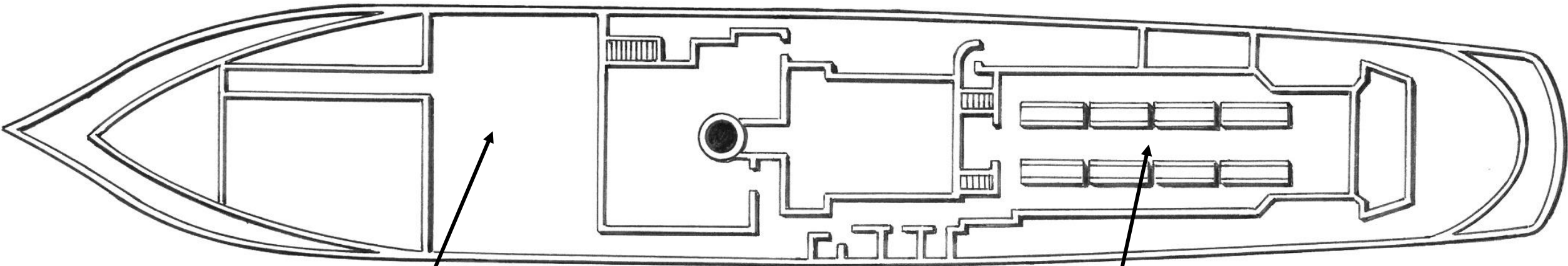
Forward Hold:

- Horses
- You can also hear sounds from steerage above e.g. the baby crying
- Low hum from the dehumidifier

Dining Saloon:

- The sea
- The ship's engine, propeller and bell
- People moving and talking
- Seasick passengers
- Chinking of tableware moving
- Musicians warming up

Lower Deck - Smells



Forward Hold:

- Horse manure

Dining Saloon:

- Dark chocolate
- Orange